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FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

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SAVE YOUR HOME
AND BUSINESS
PREVENT FIRES

PROHIBITED OPEN BURNING IN THE CITY OF WORCESTER/ CEREMONIAL FIRES PERMIT APPLICATION

Please be advised that open burning is prohibited in the City of Worcester under the Commonwealth of MA Regulation [310 CMR 7.07](#).

Open burning causes air pollution and aggravate respiratory problems. Large fires can create a smoke and odor nuisance as well as health threat to area residents, especially in densely populated areas. For this reason, open burning is restricted in the larger cities such as the City of Worcester.

Open burning conducted **primarily** for cooking purposes is allowed, however the restriction to cooking outdoors is limited to a **reasonable fire** for the purpose of cooking. A gas or charcoal grill is basically used for this purpose.

Outdoor use of chimineas or open pit fires are not intended to be used for cooking, therefore they are prohibited in the City of Worcester.

Procedure for Applying for a Ceremonial Fire Only:

1. Applicant applies for permit (print an application attached).
2. Permit Fee - \$50.00 check or money order payable to: City of Worcester.
3. Area of burn is inspected to determine if a fire detail is required.

Permit must be applied for 7-10 days in advance of event.

For more information about the requirements of this regulation, please contact the Worcester Fire Prevention Division at (508) 799-1822.



Application for Ceremonial Fires



Property Information

Current Date

Ceremonial Fire location address in Worcester, MA

Zip Code

Property Owner

Owner's Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone

Permit holder's Information

Permit holder' Name

Telephone

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone

Additional information:

Please print this form using the button below and bring it to the Fire Prevention Division of the Worcester Fire Department, 25 Meade St., along with a check or money order for \$50.00 made payable to the City of Worcester.